

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly rewrite Claims 1, 5 and 9 as set forth below. All of the claims currently pending and their status is presented below.

1. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, in which plant leaves are immersed in a dehydrating solvent, to dissolve out chlorophyll and replace the tissue water of the leaves by the dehydrating solvent, subsequently immersed in a permeating solution containing polyethylene glycol and acetone, for allowing polyethylene glycol to permeate for replacing the dehydrating solvent, and dyed with a coloring matter, ~~characterized in that said~~ wherein the dehydrating solvent is a mixture consisting of acetone and ethyl alcohol.
2. (Original) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 1, wherein the coloring matter is obtained by adding a yellow coloring matter to a green coloring matter or blue coloring matter.
3. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 1, wherein the coloring matter is a food dye.
4. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the green coloring matter is Alizarine Cyanine Green F.
5. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the blue coloring matter is Acid blue 80 (~~Aldrich~~).
6. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant eaves, according to claim 2, wherein the yellow coloring matter is Tartrazine.

7. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the coloring matter is a food dye.
8. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the green coloring matter is Alizarine Cyanine Green F.
9. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the blue coloring matter is Acid blue 80 (~~Aldrich~~).
10. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the yellow coloring matter is Tartrazine.